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SUBJ: JAPANESE SUSPENSION OF BEEF IMPORTS

1. USDA AND STATE HAVE RECEIVED CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES REFLECTING UNHAPPINESS OF CATTLE FEEDERS AND PRODUCERS OVER FEBRUARY 1 MAF MOVE TO SUSPEND BEEF IMPORTS. JAPANESE ACTION CAME AT PARTICULARLY POOR TIME WITH BEEF IMPORTS INTO US RISING AND CATTLE PRICES FALLING. EXAMPLE OF OPPOSITION TO JAPANESE MEASURE INCLUDES PROPOSAL OF GEORGIA CATTLEMEN THAT USG SUSPEND IMPORTS JAPANESE AUTOMOBILES AS LONG AS BEEF SUSPENSION IN EFFECT.

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2. AMERICAN CATTLEMEN GENERALLY HAVE ACCEPTED SUSPENSION OF QUOTA PROVISIONS OF MEAT IMPORT LAW (PROCLAMATION TO THIS EFFECT SIGNED BY PRESIDENT FEB 26) AND MANY HAVE INCREASINGLY FOCUSED ATTENTION ON PROSPECTS FOR EXPORTING FED BEEF TO JAPAN, ALTHOUGH THEY RECOGNIZE THAT THIS MARKET IS STILL MODEST IN SIZE. CONTINUATION OF JAPANESE SUSPENSION WILL GENERATE RISING OPPOSITION IN US, BOTH BECAUSE OF DIRECT INTEREST OF US EXPORTERS AND DIVERSION EFFECT OF AUSTRALIAN BEEF FROM JAPAN TO US.

3. PLEASE ADVISE GOJ INFORMALLY AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS AND INDICATE USG CONCERN OVER DOMESTIC REACTION. KEEP WASHINGTON ADVISED OF ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND/OR ESTIMATES OF REMOVAL OF SUSPENSION. KISSINGER

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